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SUBJECT: REJECTED PL-480 REQUEST AND US-GOMR RELATIONS

E.O 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, MA

REFS: A. STATE 243838; B. STATE 240905

1. IN VIEW OF PENDING US-GOMR BUSINESS SUCH AS REPPAS CASE APPROACH AND NASA NEGOTIATIONS, COMBINED WITH TENDENCY OF GOMR TO LINK U.S. ACTIONS, EMBASSY WISHES TO DELAY NOTIFYING GOMR OF REJECTION OF PL-480 REQUEST (REF A). EMBASSY IS CONCERNED, HOWEVER, THAT DEPT MAY HAVE ALREADY INFORMED MALAGASY EMBASSY WASHINGTON OR PLANS TO DO SO SOON.

2. CHARGE HAS SOUGHT APPOINTMENTS WITH MINJUSTICE TO FOLLOW UP ON AMBASSADOR'S APPROACH TO HEAD OF GOVT ON REPPAS AND WITH GOMR NASA NEGOTIATING TEAM FOR THIS WEEK BUT DATES ARE NOT SET.

3. EMBASSY INFORMED GOMR OF U.S. MILITARY SALES ACTION PER REFTTEL B, INCLUDING CHARGE'S PERSONALLY INFORMING GENERAL ANDRIAMHAZO. LATTER EXPRESSED APPRECIATION AND SAID HE WOULD INFORM HEAD OF GOVT (MEMCON BEING POUCHED). EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO MAINTAIN POSITIVE ATMOSPHERE GENERATED BY THIS ACTION AS LONG AS POSSIBLE BEFORE DELIVERY NEWS ON PL-480. WE ARE SURE IT WILL BE SEEN AS BAD NEWS
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AND BE MET WITH POLITICAL SUSPICION NO MATTER HOW ARTFULLY

DELIVERED.

4. ACTION REQUESTED BY DEPT: EMBASSY REQUESTS THAT DEPT
WITHHOLD NOTIFICATION TO MALAGASY EMBASSY WASHINGTON ON
REJECTION OF THEIR PL-480 REQUEST UNTIL EMBASSY CONFIRMS
NOTIFICATION TO MOFA HERE BY CABLE. IF MALAGASY EMBASSY
ALREADY INFORMED, OR DEPT PERCEIVES OTHER REASONS AGAINST
WITHHOLDING NOTIFICATION, PLEASE ADVISE.
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